English Access Microscholarship Program (Access Program)

Competition Announcement for Educational Service Providers

The U.S. Embassy in Ukraine is pleased to announce a competition for NGOs and educational institutions that are in the position to provide English language instruction to students with disabilities and are eager to implement a two-year **English Access Microscholarship Program** (**Access Program**) with inclusive education in 2013-2014.

Educational Service Providers include non-governmental organizations (NGOs), commercial language centers, universities, and schools. The educational service provider is responsible for selecting the final curriculum, class structure, and the teachers. Therefore, the provider's knowledge of English teaching methods is extremely important to the quality of the Program. The educational service providers, who wish to implement the Access Program in their city, should complete the downloadable application and provide their resume and reference letter(s).

The Access Program (http://exchanges.state.gov/englishteaching/eam.html) provides an opportunity for bright, economically disadvantaged 14 to 20 year-old students to study English and prepare themselves to become qualified bilingual professionals in the future. The program includes English language after-school classes three times a week, community development and cultural activities, and two-week intensive summer school sessions. All Access programs must provide two years of study, consisting of at least 360 hours (or more) of formal classroom instruction. Programs must include an emphasis on U.S. culture and values throughout the two year program. Selected students will receive a certificate of award at the beginning of the program and a certificate of completion signed by the U.S. Ambassador upon graduation from the Access Program.

Application

Application package should include: 1) Completed application form; 2) Educational provider's resume including the background information and previous projects and activities; 3) Reference letter(s).

Application forms are available at U.S. Embassy's web site http://ukraine.usembassy.gov or by contacting the program coordinator at ShyloLP@state.gov or by phone (044) 521-5763.

The application deadline is November 15, 2012.